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ARMSTRONG STATE

WINGATE

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	ARMSTRONG STATE (30-3)	14	25	20	25	11	2	
	WINGATE (34-2)	25	21	25	19	15	3	



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WINGATE, N.C. - The No. 21-ranked Armstrong State University volleyball squad pushed regional host and No. 12-ranked Wingate University to a five-set match but fell to the Bulldogs, 3-2, in the NCAA Southeast Region Championship match on Saturday afternoon at Cuddy Arena. Set scores were: 25-14, 21-25, 25-20, 19-25, 15-11

GAME LEADERS

ARMSTRONG STATE

K: 2 Players (**#1, #9**) - 11

B: 2 Players (**#1, #12**) - 3

D: Kamryn Sherman - 10

SA: Stephanie Sfara - 2

Wingate (34-2) captures the Southeast Region crown and advances to the NCAA Elite Eight, while Armstrong sees its season come to a close in the region final for a second straight season. The Pirates finish the season with a 30-3 record.

The Bulldogs hit a stellar .412 in taking a relatively easy first set, but Armstrong battled back to tie the sets up at one apiece by hitting .308 in the second set. Wingate used three straight service aces in the third set to gain some distance and close out a five-point win and take a 2-1 lead.

Armstrong jumped out to a 9-4 lead in the fourth set and fought off a late rally to force the match to a fifth and deciding set. In the fifth set, the teams sided out until an attack error by the Pirates gave Wingate a 4-3 lead and Armstrong was never able to catch back up in the abbreviated set.

The Pirates were led on the day by sophomore middle hitter **Rachel Thompson**, who hit .500 with 11 kills and three blocks, as well as sophomore **Anna McGee's** 11 kills. Senior **Stephanie Sfara** added 10 kills as well, while senior **Kamryn Sherman** delivered 39 assists and a team-high 10 digs. Thompson, Sfara, Sherman and senior libero **Morgan Hill** were named to the NCAA All-Region Tournament Team.

Wingate was led by Susie Murach's 16 kills and .312 hitting percentage, while Shelly Stumpff added 14 kills and a .303 hitting percentage. Alison Cooke notched 48 assists and Stumpff led defensively with 11 digs.

Armstrong finishes the season with 30+ wins for a fourth straight year. Five Pirates wrapped up their careers on Saturday - Sfara, Sherman, Hill, middle hitter **Taylor Permenter** and defensive specialist **Katie Broderick**. The Pirates return 13 players for 2015, including All-PBC and All-Region honorees Thompson and rightside hitter **Emily Wylie**.



WINGATE
K: Susie Murach - 16
B: 3 Players (#10, #14, #16) - 3
D: Kori Adams - 14
SA: Susie Murach - 5

TEAM STATS		
ARMSTRONG STATE		WINGATE
.184	Hitting %	.286
5.0	Blocks	6.0
47	Digs	63
6	Aces	11

FULL STATS



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